



**GOLD CROWNS****IMPORTANT LAW**

Goes Into Effect Today and Defines Duties of Doctors and Others

**REGARDING VITAL STATISTICS****Complete Outline of the Measure—Fees to Be Paid and Penalties to Be Inflicted.**

One of the most important new laws which has gone into effect in Illinois of recent years will be the new act concerning the report of births and deaths, and regulating the interment of bodies, etc., which becomes effective with the dawn of the new year. It was approved May 14, 1901, and its provisions in detail are as follows:

**REPORTS OF BIRTH.**

Section 1. It shall be the duty of every physician and midwife in the state of Illinois, who attends the birth of a child, to report said birth within thirty days after its occurrence to the county clerk of the county in which said birth takes place. Such reports shall be made on blank forms, to be prescribed and issued by the state board of health, and shall contain such information as may be directed by said board in resolutions, copies of which shall be printed on the reverse of the blank forms aforesaid. When no physician or midwife has been in attendance, then it shall be the duty of the parents, or in case of the disability of the parents, of the householder to make said report within the time and in the manner aforesaid.

**THE PENALTY.**

Sec. 2. Every physician, midwife, parent, householder, who shall comply with the foregoing provisions shall receive for each report of birth made in the manner directed by the state board of health, the sum of 25 cents. At the close of each quarter of the calendar year the county clerk shall certify to the county treasurer a bill giving the number of births reported to him, and the names and addresses of the persons reporting the same, and payment therefore shall be made by the said county treasurer to the persons named in said bill. Provided, That no duplicate report shall be paid for.

**DISPOSAL OF BODIES.**

Sec. 3. No person shall enter, cremate, deposit in a vault or otherwise dispose of any human body, until he has received a permit so to do as hereinafter provided, which permit shall bear date, name of the deceased, the date and cause of death, the manner in which the body will be disposed of and the place of such disposal, the name of the person to whom the permit is issued, and the name of the attending physician, midwife or coroner, and shall be signed by the official by whom it is issued.

**NECROLOGY.****Death of Prominent Persons During the Year Just Closed.**

Jan. 1—Ignatius Donnelly, author and orator, in Minneapolis; 70.  
5—Ex-Gov. C. H. Braden (N. G.), at Goldsboro; 85.  
6—P. D. Arnot, millionaire packer and philanthropist, in Chicago; 68.  
Ex-U. S. Senator Jas. W. Brudbury, in Augusto, Me.; 99.  
10—Ex-Gov. Jas. A. Mount, in Indianapolis; 77.  
17—Ex-U. S. Senator Stephen M. White, in Los Angeles, Cal.; 48.  
28—Ex-U. S. Senator Wm. M. Evarts, in New York; 86.  
Mar. 13—Benj. Harrison (23d U. S. president), in Indianapolis; 68.  
6—Cong. Marriott Brostus, at Lancaster, Pa.; 65.

25—Charlotte M. Yonge, celebrated author, in London, Eng.; 78.  
30—Roland Reed, actor, in New York; 49.  
31—Miss Josephine E. Barry, novelist, at Indianapolis; 31.  
Apr. 12—Geo. Q. Cannon, leader of Mormons, at Monterey, Cal.; 74.  
20—Ex-Cong. Chas. C. Stockley, (rep.) at Georgetown, Del.; 57.  
May 1—Cong. Roscoe E. Crump, in West Bay City, Mich.; 58.  
17—Edwin F. Uhl, ambassador to Germany, under Cleveland, at Grand Rapids, Mich.; 60.  
21—Ex-Cong. C. A. Boutelle (Me.), at Worcester, Mass.; 63.  
23—Ex-tov. John R. Tanner, at Springfield, Ill.; 57.  
June 2—Jas. A. Herne, actor and playwright, in New York; 63.  
9—Dr. W. H. Daly, chief surgeon of volunteers in Spanish war, who started railroad beef inquiry, suicided at Pittsburgh.

11—Gov. Wm. J. Sanford, at Tuscon, Ariz.; 56.  
18—Ex-tov. Hazen S. Pingree (Mich.) in London, Eng.; 59.  
23—Adelbert S. Hay, former consul to Pretoria, at New Haven, Conn.; July 1—U. S. Senator Jas. H. Kyle, in Aberdeen, N. D.; 57.  
4—Prof. John Fiske, historian, at E. Gloucester, Mass.; 59.  
6—Congressman Dr. J. Wm. Stokes, at Orangeburg, S. C.  
12—Ex-Gov. R. B. Hubbard, at Tyler, Tex.;

Aug. 8—Wm. A. Newell, ex-gov. of N. J. (1847) and of Washington Ter. (1870) in Allentown, N. J.; 84.  
20—Ex-Gov. Chas. A. Busiel, at Laconia, N. H.; 50.  
Sept. 16—Rt. Rev. H. E. Whipple, of Episcopal church, at Faribault, Minn.; 70.  
Oct. 30—Lorenzo Snow, 5th pres. and

AN APPEAL.  
An appeal case from Blue Mound was filed Tuesday. The title is J. C. Brammers vs. Thomas Bettrell et al.; appeal to the justice courts a decision was rendered against the defendants for

City, Dec. 31.—A great American drug store will be established upon \$1,000,000 in cash, to be subscribed in Oct.

See 9. Every clerk of a township,

city or village, or a city or village board of health, every district agent and every clerk, secretary or registrar of a city or village board of health shall receive for each certificate of death forwarded to the county clerk upon which a permit has been issued in compliance with the provisions of the foregoing sections of this act, a fee of 25 cents. Provided, That if the city clerk or the clerk, secretary or registrar of the board of health of any city of 15,000 or more inhabitants shall receive no compensation other than his salary for any of the duties devolved upon him by any of the provisions of this act. At the close of each quarter of the calendar year, the county clerk shall certify to the county treasurer a list giving the number of certificates of death forwarded to him, and the names and addresses of the officials so forwarding and payment therefor shall be made by the county treasurer to the officials named in said list.

**RECORDS AND REPORTS.**

Sec. 10. The county clerk of each county shall record in the manner directed by the state board of health all certificates of births and deaths delivered to him pursuant to law, and shall file such certificates in his office. The record of such certificates shall at all times be open to the inspection of the public without fee. Each county clerk shall also, during the first ten days of January, April, July and October of each year, render to the state board of health in the manner directed by said board, a full and complete report of all births and deaths reported to him during the preceding quarter.

Sec. 11. This state board of health shall prepare such forms for certificates of births and deaths as it may deem proper, and shall deliver said forms to the county clerks of the several counties, whose duty it shall be to furnish such forms to physicians, midwives and coroners. Provided, That in cities and villages the local board of health or the city or village clerk, as the case may be, may prepare forms for certificates of death in form similar to those issued by the state board of health, and furnish the same to physicians and midwives.

**THE PENALTY.**

Sec. 12. Any person or persons who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than \$10 nor more than \$100, or shall be imprisoned in the county jail not to exceed thirty days, or shall suffer both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court. Provided, That no duplicate report shall be paid for.

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**WHO MAY ISSUE CERTIFICATES.**

Sec. 14. The following persons shall issue permits for interment, cremation or other disposal of bodies of such persons as die within their respective jurisdictions: viz: County clerks in counties not under township organization; town clerks in counties under township organization, and the clerks of incorporated cities and villages. Provided further, That the clerks hereinabove mentioned, and the clerks before referred to, the coroner, the physician or midwife last in attendance upon the deceased, if any there was, to sign the certificate heretofore required, stating the primary and secondary cause of death, according to the best information obtainable, and giving such corrective facts as may be required by the state board of health in resolutions, copies of which shall be printed on the reverse of said certificates. If there was no attending physician or midwife, or the certificate of the attending physician or midwife cannot be obtained within four eight hours after death has occurred, the required certificate made to be issued by any legally qualified physician employed for the purpose.

**CORONER SHALL REPORT.**

Sec. 15. Any death coming under the supervision or direction of the coroner shall be by him reported to the district agent, the clerk of the county, township, village or city, in which the death occurred, or to the local board of health of such city or village, as the case may be, in the manner directed and on the blank forms prescribed by the state board of health, and it shall be the duty of the coroner to disinter any body buried without the permit heretofore required, and to hold an inquest on said body, and within three days thereafter report said death in the manner aforesaid to the proper official.

**OFFICIALS TO REPORT.**

Sec. 16. It shall be the duty of all district agents, township, city or village clerks, and clerks, secretaries and registrars of city or village boards of health to forward at the end of each month to the county in which such district, township, city or village is located, all certificates of death presented to them during the preceding thirty days.

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**HERALD****ST. NICK MUDDLE**

No One Knows How Soon the House May Be Re-opened.

**MALLERS HEAVILY INVOLVED**

His Father Had Advanced Him \$30,000—Owed New York Brokerage Firm \$3,500—Assets Are Hotel Furnishings

No one knows, apparently, what will be done in the settlement of the difficulties which at present confront the three men interested in the St. Nicholas hotel. If the settlement is permitted to wait until the bankruptcy petition of Mallers drags through the federal court the house may remain closed for some time. The referee in bankruptcy will call a meeting of the creditors to appoint a trustee who will act for all in disposing of the property. The referee first gives formal notice to the creditors that a meeting will be held on a certain day. After they have met and chosen a trustee the latter advertises for a given number of days setting a time at which a sale of the assets will be held. The advertised notice may be ten days, so that it is easily probable that the matter will drag to the latter part of January before a satisfactory adjustment is arranged.

On the other hand it is possible that a settlement may be made which will greatly shorten the time. At present, however, the bankruptcy proceedings have been instituted, but there has been nothing done looking to a settlement in a private way.

E. B. Mallers was more heavily involved than the people of Decatur knew, but his creditors here were not numerous nor their claims heavy. His total liabilities are listed at \$50,548. The schedule shows that of his liabilities there are secured \$41,500; unsecured, \$37,693.68; debts which others ought to pay (paper endorsed by the petitioner) \$2,150.

Of the liabilities listed \$30,000 is money which the petitioner borrowed from his father. There is also listed \$3,500 which Mallers owes a New York brokerage firm. That is an claim which was incurred when he was a candidate for election into Boddy post several weeks ago, in some way had his shoulder broken. The bill of particulars has not yet been filed, but it is well understood among the people that Mallers claims to have suffered an injury as the result of the "horse play" of which he was the victim when he took his degree.

**DRUNKENNESS CHARGED.**

The story of Lillie Pence is not an extended one, but if she substantiates the charges she makes she will be granted a decree of divorce. Her husband, Charles Pence, is charged with being an habitual drunkard and to such an extent does his appetite go that he totally neglected his family. The couple were married on April 26, 1888, and lived together until June, 1899, when she was compelled to leave him on account of his profligate habits. She asks the custody of her three children, aged 8, 9 and 10 years.

LAW.

James Greenfield vs. M. E. Clifton, appellant; appeal. Verdict of jury for plaintiff and damages assessed at \$12,200. Costs to defendant.

Corn Nihiser vs. John Nihiser; habeas corpus. Stricken.

C. Miller vs. J. V. Shoemaker; distress for rent. Trial by jury.

**CHANCERY.**

John P. Dietman vs. Thomas Cowan et al.; bill to quiet title. Master's report approved and decree.

Anna M. Harkrader vs. James A. Harkrader et al.; separate maintenance. Rule to close proof extended to Feb. 13, 1902.

**Interesting Comparison.**

Dissatisfied critics have always recognized that among the advantages of college athletics is the regard for physical health which they encourage in the student. A course of training for athletic honors is a discipline not only for the body but also for the mind; it promotes bodily vigor at the same time that it inculcates mental and moral control. The risks even from football are not so great as the risks from alcohol and cigarettes. Du Scarer of Yale university finds in the freshman class this year an unusual degree of athletic ability, with marked athletic tendencies and a reduced consumption of tobacco. His figures are interesting, his deductions are warranted and his studies are to be commended.

**Long Strike Ends.**

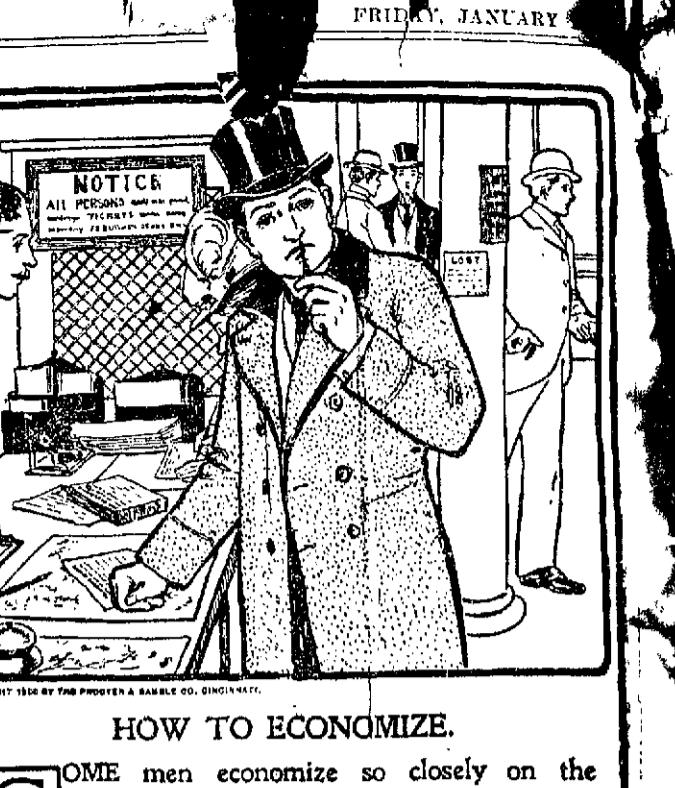
Chicago, Dec. 31.—The strike of the machinists of the Allis-Chalmers company, begun last May, was settled at a meeting tonight between the representatives of the union and the company. It is not known on what terms the settlement was reached.

**THE MOTHER**

with a nursing baby has two lives to support. Her flesh, strength and vitality are taxed to the utmost, and must be maintained or both will surely fail.

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**HOW TO ECONOMIZE.**

SOME men economize so closely on the number of words in a telegram that the receiver can not understand it. This is not sensible economy. Neither is it sensible economy to rain garments of value with cheap soap or powerful chemicals. True economy uses Ivory Soap in the laundry. It is the most of pure soap that can be sold for the money. Chemically it is as innocent as water. Yet it does everything you can ask of a soap. Try it

**FAMILY RUMPS****NEW YEAR'S THOUGHTS**

Don't Make Resolution to Mock You the End Unperformed.

[Contributed.]

The Trents Tell Their Troubles to Justice McCoy.

**WAS HELD FOR DESERTION.**

Justice McCoy Tuesday tried the case of Rosa Trent vs. Jesse Trent, in which the latter is accused of wife abandonment. Rosa proved that Jesse had abandoned her on the 23rd of December and that he now refused to live with her. Jesse admitted all this, but claimed that he had done so for god and sufficient cause. According to his statement his wife is addicted to liquor and treats him cruelly. Rosa admitted to having suffered an injury as the result of the "horse play" of which he was the victim since 1893.

The listed creditors who furnished supplies while Mallers was in charge of the hotel, including Chicago and Detroit firms, having claims of about \$8,200.

In listing the liabilities the money likely to be due on the lease of the hotel for the next two years—amount to \$12,000—is placed among the liabilities and would increase the sum given above, just that much. On the other hand the possibility that the petitioner may dispose of the lease makes it an asset but there is no value given to the possibility of the lease being let.

The assets, which may really be counted as such, and shown on the schedule, are Mallers' interest in the furnishings of the St. Nicholas hotel and valued at \$35,000, and his household effects, which are exempt, and which he values at \$250. These are the goods which were attached and are now in the hands of a constable awaiting a settlement of the difficulties.

According to the evidence they did pretty well after they moved here until early week. Trent came home one night and wanted his wife to go to town and take in the sights. She didn't like it and he went alone. He said that when he was

## INTER CROPS

S. Department of Agriculture at Springfield Issues Bulletin.

## WEAT PROSPECT IS GOOD

Fly Damage By Hessian Fly Was Not Extensive—General Condition of Farm Work Is Satisfactory.

The United States department of agriculture at Springfield on yesterday issued a special crop bulletin, as follows:

Rather dry and moderately warm weather prevailed early in December, and this has been quite favorable for carrying on winter training operations. The dry weather was not, however, favorable to winter grain and grasses, as in some instances stock water has become scarce. Heavy rains occurred throughout the greater part of the state toward the middle of the month and this rainy condition was followed by a change to severely cold weather, but as the change to colder took place the rain turned to snow and a few days' good covering of snow fell over the greater portion of the state before the cold became dangerously severe. Following the cold weather came a period of moderately warm weather, which was generally favorable to vegetation.

Though the dry weather of the fall and early December seemed unfavorable to the growth of wheat, yet over a great part of the state the plant was well enough to withstand the effect of the severe cold, which prevailed throughout the state from the 14th to the 21st in the northern and central districts, except in a few localities, where it came through the cold spell in excellent condition. The favorable weather following the cold spell caused improvement in the condition of the crop, and the end of the month finds the prospects unusually favorable. In many places the plant is short, but it is healthy and vigorous. In parts of Winnebago and Jo Daviess counties the snow covering is reported to have been held and some damage resulted from the severe cold. A few correspondents in the central district also found the crop to be in an unfavorable condition, due either to dry weather or intense cold. In the southern district the condition of the crop is not so favorable as in the northern and central districts, though there was a fair covering over the greater portion of this district during the severe cold, it appears to have been insufficient for complete protection of the plant, and considerable injury has resulted. A few reporters state that the present unfavorable condition of the crop is due to early dry weather rather than to the severe cold. In some parts the crop is reported to be in fair to very good condition. There is little or no injury from the Hessian fly apparent to the crop at the present time. In those localities where the fly was believed earlier in the season to have caused some damage, there appears to have been a complete, or almost complete, recovery from its effects. Though there has been some deterioration in the condition of the crop in the southern district, it is believed that the average condition throughout the state is fully as good as that at the end of November.

There appears to have been some improvement in the condition of rye during the month. Though a few correspondents say the crop does not look well, the majority of them report it to be in excellent condition. Many correspondents report unusually large acreage of the grain.

In the days of Titus Tatius, king of the Sabines, it was the duty of everyone to dismiss all enemies from his head with upon this day and to wish all with whom he came in contact a happy new year.

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR GREETING.

From the Earliest Ages Men Have Celebrated the Day.

All nations seem to have agreed, since the memory of man runneth not to the contrary, to observe the first day of the year as an occasion of festivity and mutual good wishes. When or how this custom originated history does not tell. It is late history and extends far back in the age of fable. Hundreds of years before the dawn of the Christian era it was being celebrated with considerable pomp in many parts of the world.

Before universal calendars had been

thought of as a remote possibility and the beginning of the year varied and date in almost every part of the world, the first day of the new year was recognized as one great festival of the twelve months.

Tradition tells that Numa, who lived nearly eight centuries before Christ, celebrated a festival that was dedicated to Janus on the first day of the month sacred to the god. On this occasion all day was a mere agony, sacrifices were made to Janus and all mechanics and men of letters began competing in line with their trades and arts. The cornerstones of buildings were laid, new enterprises were inaugurated, books and poems were composed, and the consuls, who had already been elected, took their seats.

The ancient Greeks began the year

about the summer solstice, or June 21. The Persians also began their year in June, the Chinese in March and the Abyssinians in August. The ancient people of Mexico had a calendar that fixed the beginning of the years in February.

Early in the history of the Roman people New Year's day was celebrated in January. There are traditions of that day that are almost as reliable as history. To say that the day originated at that time, however, would be a mistake.

Long before that period, when the Roman calendar was in such an uncertain condition that the year sometimes began in March and sometimes in April this festival was known and celebrated.

In northern Europe the custom of celebrating the first day of the new year also antedates all history. It was an old Druid custom that had been handed down through the centuries to be celebrated as a religious anniversary. On this occasion the priests went into the woods on the last night of the year to cut aspens with a golden knife. The trees with their boughs were then distributed among the people, popular belief being these gifts, if worn as an amulet, would preserve its wearer against the hazard of battle.

While New Year is somewhat of a religious anniversary in Scotland, in France it has been observed under very different circumstances, the day being conspicuous chiefly for the excesses of those who are observing it. In the old days in France men and women were in the habit of dressing in fantastic costumes and going about the country begging money to the "scold lady." Large gifts were given as often as possible, and so in Scotland, the money obtained was afterwards divided by the benevolent beggars among the needy poor.

In a similar manner customs for the

celebration of New Year's prevail in all countries. Some of the customs are imposing, picturesque or novel, but in almost every case the old familiar salutation is still used and the occasion is made one of gift giving.

In the commercial world there are New Year's days by the score, and it is not an unusual thing to find several concerns in the same building who all date their correspondence in the usual form, and according to the recognized way, but who have different days for beginning their business year.

These New Year's days, however,

and the fact of their variation are the result, partly, in the nature of the business

and sometimes of the partnership agreements.

**A New Year's Wish.**  
A happy New Year said a wee small one,  
Whose journey of life had just begun,  
But the tangled web of future years  
With their days of sorrow and bitter tears—

She could not see.

A happy New Year, a maiden cried,  
Whose coming joys she thought she spied.

No faithless lover or care she knew,

For all was rosy to her dazzling view.

Thus hoped she.

A happy New Year, said a stalwart boy,  
Whose youth and courage had no alloy;

No failing in life should be his fare,

Boldly he knocked at fame's high gate.

For him all things should be.

A happy New Year, said one who for years

Had seen the world through scalding tears.

Her head bowed low with many a sorrow,

And her poor heart full of fears for the morrow—

Must such things be.

A happy New Year, said an aged one,  
Whose sands of life were almost run;

But he spoke the wish with a sad misgiving,

For he had seen and tasted the fruits of living—

Such things will ever be.

Oh, is there a land of infinite light,  
With its New Year of days and never a night;

A place of rest where we all may go,

We have God's word that it shall be so—

So mote it be.

—“Dad” Stearns.

**LYNCHINGS IN 1901.**

The Record of Mob Law is As Big As Ever.

Jan. 2—Louis McAdams (negro), near Wilsonville, Ala.; assault.

4—Jim Deeson and brother (negroes), at Madison, Fla.; murder.

15—Fred Alexander (negro), at Leavenworth, Kan.; murder of white girl.

Chas. Lang (negro) near Elko, S. C.; assault.

Feb. 11—Geo. Carter (negro) at Paris, Ky.; assault.

16—Thos. Jackson (colored) at St. Peter, La.; murder of Alexander Bourgeois, wife and 2 children.

20—Peter Berryman (colored) at Marine, Ark.; assaulted 12-year-old girl.

26—Geo. Ward (negro), at Terre Haute, Ind.; murder of Ida Finkelstein, John Knox (white), at Scranton, Miss.; murder of stepson.

Mar. 2—Dewey Smith (negro), near Richmond, Mo.; murder.

6—Will Davis (colored), at Shreveport, La.; assault.

9—Thos. Applegate (white), at Eatonton, N. J.; killed by white caps for wire-beating.

16—Ike Fitzgerald (colored), at Tiptonville, Tenn.; assault. Negro woman, near Rome, Tenn.; was suspected of theft.

18—Fas. Brown (colored), at Springfield, Ill.; assault.

19—Laz. Key (colored) near Knoxville, Tenn., charged with killing negroes to riot.

22—Milt Caivert (negro) at Grinnell, Miss.; attempted assault on 10-year-old girl.

23—Wm. Campbell (colored) at Tiptonville, Tenn.; had shot Deputy Sheriff Geo. Smith.

31—Calvin Hall and three sons and Dan Yandis, at Lookout, Cal.; petty thievery.

Jun. 7—Mob of lynchers routed by Sheriff Merrill of Carrollton, Ga., killing 1 and injuring 3.

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22—Wm. Brooks (colored), at Elkins, W. Va.; shot Chief of Police Lilly.

Aug. 1—Bevry McCray, felonized, her son and daughter, at Carrollton, Miss.; murder.

3—Will Price (colored) at Carrollton, Miss.; complexity in Tahafero murder.

19—Will Godley and Jean Carter (negro), near Pearle City, Mo.; suspected of murder.

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29—Near Bell Town, La., 2 whites and 15 negroes slain in race war.

Nov. 1—Negro who attempted assault on wife of Representative Daugherty, at Atlanta, Ga.

28—Unknown negro near Columbia, S. C.; shot Mrs. Craft.

Blown to Atoms.

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Coming to Decatur.

Fred Neuker of Boddy will come to Decatur to make his home. He is regarded as the founder of Boddy, having laid out the village and lived there for more than fifty years. He is an aged man, well-to-do and will pass his declining years in this city.

Will Probated.

In the county court Tuesday the will of the late Ned Devore was admitted to probate. The instrument bequeaths to Anna Devore, his son, one hundred dollars in cash and the balance of the estate, real and personal, is given to her daughter, Amanda Devore, who is named as executrix.

Porto Rico Grows Healthy.

The results in Porto Rico, where the mortality from smallpox has been reduced from over 600 to less than 2 per year, since the universal vaccination of the population by the officers of the United States government, are sufficient proof, if any were needed, that vaccination is, as some one has expressed it: "The greatest boon conferred upon mankind."

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**WE** will close our store on Jan. 1st, Jan. 2nd, and Jan. 3rd, in order to go through our immense stock, and get out all the odds and ends. We will open on Saturday, Jan. 4th, and we propose reducing the immense stock that we have over, owing to the late winter at POSITIVELY UNHEARD OF PRICES. If an odd suit or overcoat for yourself or your boy fits and pleases, it's as good to you as if our stock were unbroken, but it is not to us, and they must go.

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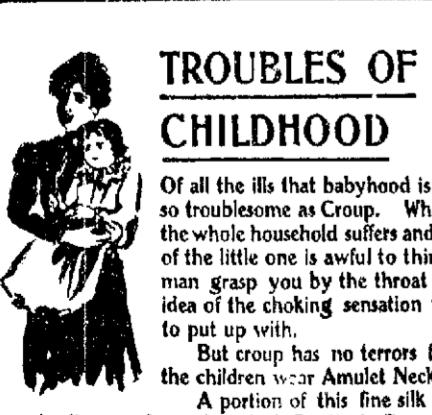
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Of all the ills that babyhood is heir to there's none so troublesome as Croup. When a child has croup the whole household suffers and the pain and agony of the little one is awful to think of. Let a strong man grasp you by the throat and you'll have an idea of the choking sensation the croupy child has to put up with.

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A portion of this fine silk band is filled with a newly discovered powder which Positively Prevents Croup.

The price of the band is \$2.00 but we never ask for money until the band has been fairly tried. As long as you delay you're risking your child's life. When you write for the band you risk nothing but a two cent stamp.

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### FINE GAIN.

Year Just Closed Shows Excess of Five  
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The year of 1901 was a good one at the Decatur postoffice, a certain indica-  
tion that it was likewise a good one for the business world, for the postoffice is one of the barometers of trade.

The receipts amounted to \$63,308.33 for the year 1901, against a total of \$58,522 for the year 1900, a gain of \$5,276.01.

RURAL ROUTES FOR DECEMBER.

The total number of pieces delivered by the six rural free delivery routes for the month of December was 17,958 and the total number of pieces brought in was 4,027.

### A Deep Mystery.

It is a mystery why women endure backache, headache, nervousness, sleepiness, melancholy, fainting and dizzy spells when thousands have proved that Electric Bitters will quickly cure such troubles. "I have suffered for years with kidney trouble," writes Mrs. F. B. Cheley of Peterson, Ill., "and a lame back pained me so I could not dress myself, but Electric Bitters wholly cured me, and, although 73 years old, I am able to do all my housework." It overcomes constipation, improves appetite, gives perfect health. Only 50¢ at J. E. King's, N. L. Krone's and Bell's drugstores.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1902,  
FOR PARTICULARS SEE  
HENRY A. WISE

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BARRELL ROCK Cockerels, (Lefell's)  
Strain direct \$1.00 each. Eggs in  
season, \$1 per dozen of 15, \$4 per dozen.  
Mr. O. M. Scott, Rural Route  
No. 6, Decatur, Ill., Mt. Zion Tel. Ex-  
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FOR SALE—Thirty-five barrels Plymouth  
Rock Cockerels at \$1 and \$1.50  
each, as taken soon. These are pure  
blood stock. Call on or address J. H.  
Brockton, Warrensburg, Ill.—Dec 31-w4r.

FOR SALE—A 100-acre prairie farm in

Payette county, Idaho, 3 miles north  
of town, with water rights, 15¢ per acre.

Don't wait to write but come at once and get this bargain. H.

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FOR SALE—15 pure breed Plymouth  
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Address Mrs. W. Brughman, Mt. Zion,

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CHANCERY NOTICE—Sue of Hil-  
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May Estia Hacke, who sue b her guar-  
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C. Hacke and others, in chancery

bill for partition.

It appearing by affidavit filed in my of-  
fice that Augustus C. Hacke and Anna G.

Hacke, two of the defendants in the  
above entitled cause, are non-residents

of the state of Illinois, notice is hereby

given to each of you, the said Augustus C.

Hacke and Anna G. Hacke, to

appear in my office on the second

Monday of January, A. D. 1902. Now

unless you, the said Augustus C. Hacke

and Anna G. Hacke, shall each

and appear in the first day of said term or

within ten days thereafter, to im-  
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Hacke and Anna G. Hacke, to

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the court may see fit.

Dated this 6th day of December A.

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# CHEAP CHARLEY'S STORE

# CLOSED!

## WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, JAN. 1 AND 2

PREPARING FOR HIS

## ANNUAL MARK DOWN SALE

CHEAP CHARLEY IS THE LEADER OF THE CLOTHING BUSINESS IN DECATUR

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The Price on Every Suit and Overcoat in Our Store is Positively  
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## SACRIFICE SALE

Of our Entire Stock of Men's and Boys' Fine Suits and Overcoats. We intend that this sale shall be one of the Greatest Mark Down Sales ever held in the city, this being our 25th year in business in Decatur. We will, therefore, in many instances, make your Dollar buy what would cost you \$2 Elsewhere.

You know our Store, Our Reputation, the kind of Clothing we sell. The better you know us and our goods the more you will appreciate what this sale means to you. Mind you there will be no disappointments, no exaggerations. Every garment here is for your inspection. Be sure and call early.

## CHEAP CHARLEY.



# LOCAL HISTORY OF 1901

## JANUARY.

1.—Meeting 6 below, the coldest of the winter.  
 2.—Aug. Gronkowsky dies from the effects of a self-inflicted pistol wound. Marriage of Hon. S. H. Reid and Miss Florence Ellen Goodwin.  
 3.—Death of Mrs. T. J. Mulendy, July secured for second trial of the Sandwood will case. Three inches of ice on river.  
 4.—Industrial school commission meets and adopts new code of rules.  
 5.—Death of Mrs. Robert MacLean at Argentia.  
 5.—L. R. Mills sells Sophia for \$2300.  
 6.—Death of Jacob Page, well known colored character.  
 7.—Death of Emanette daughter of W. C. Osborne, who was scalped by Indians in a can of water. Death of Alice Blanch McMillan at Waukesha; of Mrs. Elizabeth Diaper in Decatur.  
 8.—Hannum Implement dealers meet here.  
 9.—Burial of Mrs. William Anderson who died at Slater, Mo., on Jan. 8.  
 10.—Death of James P. Montgomery aged 30 years. Wm. Farris commits suicide by shooting himself in presence of his mother. Annual business meeting shows congregational church out of debt.  
 11.—Death of Mrs. Minnie Gneiss aged 20.  
 13.—Death of Mrs. Charlotte Pettyjohn aged 71.  
 14.—October term of court adjourns and January term convenes. Death of Mrs. Nancy Ricketts at Riverside, Ill.; death of Mrs. Elizabeth Berry aged 83.  
 15.—Marriage of Miss Anna Purdie to George W. Danner, Central Illinois Press Association meets in Decatur.  
 16.—Death of Joseph M. Paisley aged 79; at Bessey; of Catherine J. Taylor aged 83; of David Grabill aged 40; of Tom Isbell aged 63; of Carl Depew aged 22; of Dr. Benjamin Brown at Washington D. C.  
 17.—Death of Samuel Miller aged 74; on State Division; 12th Auxiliary organized. Death of J. D. Reynolds aged 28; of Martin Louwer aged 63; of Rudine N. Stafford aged 66; of Ulysses Houston at Chillicothe, aged 77.  
 19.—Death of Ira Wainright, aged 78, the oldest settler in Macon county.  
 21.—Mrs. Eva Daingerhouse marries in law, Fred Mullens.  
 22.—Death of W. H. Ennis, Masonic school of instruction meets in Decatur. Angle ticket goes up on chartered mortgage.  
 23.—First Bell. Central hotel goes out of business.  
 25.—Death of Kilburn Harwood, aged 65 years.  
 26.—Death of W. H. Ennis.  
 27.—Strawberries make appearance in Decatur market, worth of John R. Williams aged 73 years. Handel society gives "The Holly Fly" with great success.  
 28.—Three inches of snow, heaviest of the season.  
 29.—Opening of the Farmers' Institute.  
 30.—Jason Miles of Madison, Wis., surrenders to Chief Apologate confessing to forgery committed there.  
 31.—Death of R. D. Wilson.

## FEBRUARY.

1.—Decatur baseball enthusiasts meet and organize.  
 2.—An all day snow, ten inches tall.  
 3.—Heavy rain making slushy walking and sealing attendance at church.  
 4.—Geo. W. Myer and Miss Clara Kander married at St. Joe, Mich.  
 5.—Opening session of the Retail Merchants' association, Illinois Mercury above zero. River freezes over.  
 6.—Temperature falls to zero. Local stores suspend retail operations at St. Nicholas.  
 7.—Alderman Frank Meridith and Miss Olive Davis married.  
 8.—Frank Wunderly, a farm hand, fell from wagon load of corn, while intoxicated, was run over and killed. Andrew Carnegie gives Decatur \$30,000.  
 9.—Grand jury indicted H. L. Oldham, R. W. Olson and Arthur W. Dawson on charge of endangering the life of a child.  
 10.—Death of George Hussey, who was stricken with paralysis a few days before, aged 71 years.  
 11.—Death of Mrs. S. H. Hoy aged 60 years, second marriage, ice 6 inches thick. Award of \$10,000 against the city in the Hamilton case. M. M. Martin stricken with paralysis at his home in Litchfield.  
 12.—Mueller, Platt & Wheeland wholesale grocery house destroyed by early morning fire, loss \$16,000; insurance \$80,000. Taft and Sheldahar's office destroyed. Death of Mrs. S. H. Hoy.  
 13.—Wadell drag deal at his father's factors. Lincoln's birthday observed in Decatur. M. L. Martin dies at Litchfield. J. H. Pickford dies at Springfield.  
 14.—F. H. & W. local freight jumps the track at Camargo and three cars go into the river, no one hurt.  
 15.—Death of George H. Hardy at Springfield where he had gone to visit a sister.  
 16.—James Stevenson of Milnor, North Dakota, begins habeas corpus proceedings to recover his little son from John Miller.  
 17.—John Boller arrested for wife desecration and the devils that he was only keeping very quiet, when he was seen by his friends in the snow.  
 18.—Rev. Marion Stevenson resigns as pastor of the Edward Street Christian church.  
 19.—Death of S. M. Tucker. Cold snap sends the mercury down to a point near zero.  
 20.—Grand officers of K. of C. visit Decatur and hold school of instruction.  
 21.—Bertha Hayes and Irene Staley win the netters in the Washington day essay competition of the D. A. R.  
 22.—Manufacturers and jobbers meet to form an association. Eight such are reported on the bayous and deniers get ready to join.  
 23.—Death of L. L. Sharrett, aged 56 years. Death of A. Rodriguez aged 28.  
 25.—Jury in the case of Bartholomew Newman returns verdict of 875 for plaintiff.  
 27.—Marriage of ex-Mayor Taylor and Mrs. Elizabeth May at St. Nicholas hotel. Ice harvested and again, Mrs. John Morgan of meat, Blue Mound known from a cut and killed.

## MARCH.

1.—Dr. A. B. Taylor of Emporia, Kan., visits Decatur to consult about the new university. Death of Mrs. M. C. Davison, aged 38 years.  
 2.—Death of Mrs. Eliza Wood, aged 90 years. Merchants and Jobbers' complete organization.  
 3.—Death of W. M. Ralston aged 47. Mrs. Nellie Schenck aged 68 and Henry Stump aged 71. Marriage of Robert Hanks and Miss Anna Moffett.  
 4.—Marriage of Robert C. Maffitt and Miss Netta Thatcher; Fred Gauthier formerly of Decatur at St. Louis. William McGuire of Jacksonville discovered, wandering about Decatur with sulphur.  
 5.—Frank J. Blaine dies as result of a stroke of apoplexy. Death of Joseph Majors.  
 6.—John L. Lane found dead in his bed. Death of Mrs. Lizzie Pate at St. Mary's hospital.  
 7.—Library board decides to buy the Powers for on North Main street.  
 12.—R. S. Tyler withdraws from race for nomination for mayor. Word re-

ceived of the death of Clarence Virgil in South Africa. Death of A. F. Wilson aged 91 years; of R. F. Reavis aged 70; Albert Vernon aged 75 and Mrs. Mary B. Landis aged 65. Luther Martin at 11.—Republican township primaries held.  
 15.—Death of Louis Heiner. The democrats meet and name a township ticket.  
 17.—Death of Mrs. Hattie McDonald, wife of Johnny McDonald. Fire at poor tenement still damage. City council passes Traction company ordinance.  
 20.—Marriage of George W. Betzer and Miss Daisey Kianey.  
 21.—Death of Mrs. John R. Miller.  
 22.—Death of George C. Harshberger.  
 23.—Skeleton of a man unearthened in sand bank in Long Creek township.  
 24.—Rev. C. G. Leman who came from Florida to act as rector of Saint John's church announces his withdrawal.  
 25.—Rev. Wilson and Miss Fannie Davy were married at midnight in St. Louis.  
 26.—C. P. Preschert meets here. Rev. A. G. Bergen being named as moderator. Traction company decides to accept ordinance passed on the 18th. Death of H. A. Briggs.  
 27.—Central Illinois teachers meet in Decatur. Republican city primaries setting getting 46. Foster 25 and Carter 20 delegates.  
 29.—Republican city convention nominates W. W. Foster for mayor.  
 31.—Death of Milton Clark aged 70 years.

## APRIL.

1.—Democrats hold city convention and nominate Wilson Bering for mayor.  
 2.—Republicans elect township ticket by majority of 92 to 96.  
 3.—District meeting of Federated Aztec Indians held at the home of Mrs. Charles Ogle at Krookville. Wm. Adams finds a missing Mike Hader brutally assaulted by Frank Long, Sam Middlecamp and Some Gilgippe. Death of Capt. James Edmiston of Ottawa, Kan.  
 4.—Death of Geo. Priest at Culver, Kan.; Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, aged 84.  
 5.—No. 2 chemical wrecked in collision with street car at Eldorado and Morgan street.  
 6.—Death of John S. Staudt. Double wedding of J. C. Conroy & Doherty, J. J. Mulligan and Grace LeBarre. Burial of Mrs. C. G. Ogle. Deaths of Mrs. Verlinda Hart at Prairie Hall aged 83 years. John P. Hopkins of Boddy aged 99, and H. H. Laud of Decatur aged 84. Funeral of Geo. Priest, who died at Culver, Kan.; Mrs. Ann Motley, colored, discovered with developed case of small pox on South Webster street.  
 9.—Parochial Century division B. of E. formed.  
 10.—John D. Dillinger and Miss Cora Pearl Jacobs married; Albert Hays of Marion and Miss Myrtle Robbins. Death of J. E. Berno.  
 11.—Gorman Sawyer arrested at Mowery for passing forged checks in Decatur.  
 12.—Charles Lejkus ran down by a boy at Jasper street dies of his injuries. Shot gun quarrel established on South Webster street at small pox house.  
 14.—Death of Mrs. Flora Heurs aged 81 years.  
 15.—Prof. Robert Walters presented with medal by citizens as a token of esteem.  
 16.—Shilling and the republican ticket elected mayor. Decatur informally opens baseball season by defeating Buffalo 6 to 5.  
 17.—Supreme Lodge of Universal Army decide to keep headquarters at Taylerville. Death of D. E. Giddis.  
 18.—Supplies organize by electing D. L. Woodcock chairman. Death of Miss Olive Lewis.  
 19.—Death of Geo. Dempsey aged 76 years. A. H. Cox aged 74. Charles Goodman sentenced to 18 months in county jail received first pardon signed by Yates.  
 20.—Circuit court adjourns after a six day session. Mrs. W. G. Swigert dies before trial.  
 21.—Death of Mrs. Isaac Hinkley at Waukesha, Wis., aged 51. Mrs. M. R. Warfield died at Ceresco, aged 80.  
 22.—Death of Mrs. Francis C. Macpherson aged 81. Day of small thunderstorms. At Cisen Elmer Shimmen aged 50, killed by lightning.  
 22.—Mrs. Ediz A. Davis of Long Creek aged 81 years. Mrs. Sarah Ranney aged 80, died of apoplexy aged 71. A. J. Fisher aged 75 dies of paralysis. Heavy thunderstorm accompanied by high wind.  
 24.—James J. Finn reappointed Master of Ceremonies at Chancery. Death of Bertha Kincaid aged 23 years.  
 25.—George Milliron, a Blue Mound farmer, dies suddenly in Taylorville. John Gordy aged 75 years dies in St. Louis. South Water street.  
 26.—Mrs. Virginia W. Kocut aged 85, dies at her home on Morgan street. Spouse, Lehman & Co. dispose of their business and retire.  
 26.—Barney Tomam an itinerant tramp, terrorizes neighborhood of Blue Mound, and is finally arrested. S. C. Tooley killed by Wabash train south of Decatur.  
 27.—Long, Middleton on "Inslop" convicted for assault on Michael Haber, and given one year in jail.  
 28.—Miss Edith Schenck aged 12 years is killed near Forsyth by being thrown from a buggy during a runaway. The team having been frightened by a flash of lightning.

## JULY.

1.—The work on the repairing of Cerro Gordo street commenced. The A. B. Taylor and the local board of the James Millikan University held their first meeting.  
 2.—Rockford with Eaton in the box shuts out Decatur with only two hits.  
 3.—Country Club play golf and entertain friends. No general celebration of the Fourth but usual number of small accidents. Robert Herdman living near Assumption has a fall, fracturing Decatur.  
 4.—Exploding of fireworks and destruction of the Decatur Gun Company's store.  
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 10.—Charles Adams died at his home on Clayton street.  
 11.—Supervisors fix tax rate at 73 cents on \$100, and select a new famous grand jury. Calvin Lehr and Miss Lillie Sibley married at the bride's home near Warrensburg.  
 12.—Death of Mrs. Clarence Vance at Buffalo, N. Y.  
 13.—Kirby May is again arrested in his favorite role of a landlord白天 by night.  
 15.—Orville McCoy dies of lock jaw resulting from Fourth of July accident. Danner gets a drumming at hands of Evansville. Drums being made with a size of 15 to 20.  
 16.—Decatur home seekers start for Oklahoma. West end property owners decide to petition new coal company to change location of the shaft. Death of Conrad Bleuel aged 73 years.  
 17.—Death of Mrs. Mrs. Margaret McCarty aged 72. Cornerstone of the Anna B. Millikan home laid.  
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 19.—Edward Chapman of Casper, Anna Butler of Las Vegas and Mrs. E. Wallace married. Fred McDonald deserted from the U. S. army, arrested in Decatur. James A. W. Hardy dies at home in Decatur aged 30.  
 20.—First freeze of the season, temperatures. Annual U. B. conference convenes in Decatur.  
 21.—Decatur holds memorial services for the assassinated president. Mourning boat Mt. Pulaski in a match game of baseball. Frank M. Gadis, president of the Decatur Lumber Co., retires after 35 years of active business life in this city. J. A. F. King elected presiding elder by the U. B. conference. B. C. Applegate resigns as elder of police force. Death of Mrs. Lydia Sheppard aged 73 years. Effort to sell First Methodist church at auction fails; the highest bid being \$3,500 while the upper price was \$4,000.  
 22.—James F. Hill, aged 40, died suddenly. Decatur beats Bloomington 4 to 1.  
 23.—Decatur loses to Bloomington 8 to 7 with Method in the box.  
 24.—Mercury makes a new record by reaching 100. Marriage of Luther Vaughan and Miss Hattie Schaefer.  
 25.—Navy Note, last note, 109, being withdrawn. George Cole and several others overcome by heat. Death of Mrs. Elizabeth Heiner aged 84 years.  
 26.—Two cases of small pox discovered on South Broad street. Temperature 102.  
 27.—Marriage of Dr. C. M. Bunting and Miss Meta Antoinette at Montezuma, Thomas. Stephen Walsh, physician.  
 28.—Decatur causes scarcity of fresh vegetables, grocers being compelled to ship in from the cities. Shortstop McDowell released.  
 29.—Heat spell broken, mercury falling to 97 degrees.  
 30.—Decatur holds the third League of the Illinois. Illinois State Convention of the Illinois Traction Co. held in Decatur.  
 31.—Hon. C. G. Dawes visits Decatur.

## JUNE.

1.—Case of small pox appears on Howard street. Illinois Central permits the removal of the fence which barricaded the east entrance to the Wabash station. Decatur explodes King Brady's boom as a baseball pitcher and defeats Terre Haute 14 to 15. Decatur making 17 hits.  
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 26.—Heat spell broken, mercury falling to 97 degrees.  
 27.—Decatur holds the third League of the Illinois. Illinois State Convention of the Illinois Traction Co. held in Decatur.  
 28.—Decatur High school foot ball team beats Clinton 11 to 9. Start of the M. & C. Coal Co. encounters unexpected. Sneak thief gets a shortstop McDowell released.  
 29.—Marriage of Dr. H. Mowry and Ruth Lehman.  
 30.—John McCauley, notorious cattle thief arrested at Springfield held to the grand jury. July 31—Coroner orders a postmortem on remains of Minnie Bird, the funeral being stopped by the police.

## AUGUST.

1.—Death of Ex-Congressman John Davis at Peoria, Ill., formerly of Macoupin county. John Robinson accidentally shoots his friend, Elmer Ristow, who died 6 hours later. Easter Bonnet wins first prize at Paris. Marriage of Harry B. Payne and Miss Letitia B. McKinney.  
 2.—Coroner's jury recommends holding trial of Decatur in the Minnie Bird case.  
 3.—Deaths of Mrs. Kate Surface aged 32 years. Death of Mrs. Kate Surface aged 32 years. Death of Mrs. Rachel McDaris.  
 4.—Death of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Mulligan, parents of Mrs. Mulligan.  
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1.—Death of Mrs. J. W. Butman aged 76 years. City settles for Cerro Gordo street paving, paying cash for public portion.  
 2.—C. E. Miller "opens" a railroad torpedo gunner but escapes serious injury. R. C. Opie given a license as a Baptist minister.  
 3.—Death of Mrs. Louise Buchert aged 64 years. Death of Joshua Shaw, aged 38 years. Macoupin Lodge No. 8, A. F. and A. M. celebrates sixtieth anniversary.  
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 5.—W. W. Bart, a former commission merchant and traveling man arrested at Peoria on an indictment charging embezzlement.  
 6.—Oakland Park selected as the site for the new Macoupin university.  
 7.—The Herald announces "The Most Popular Lady Employee Contest." Death of John O'Halloran aged 61 years.  
 8.—Senator Doliver lectures at the opera house. Assumption visited by a disastrous fire.  
 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cox celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary, giving a dinner and finds all kids too high. Sheriff Lehman's deputies make another raid on the gambling rooms.  
 10.—Marriage of James S. Baldwin and Miss Mary Virginia Dishman at New Albany, Ind.  
 11.—Death of Michael Phalen, aged 80 years. Death of Mrs. Tabitha Hostetter aged 86 years.  
 12.—Death of John O'Halloran aged 61 years. Knights of Columbus gather here to witness the initiation of a large class.  
 13.—H. C. Nuckles gives banjo to police holder of the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York.  
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## January Clearing Sale of Silks

50c Silk Plush at 15c yard.  
50c Lining Silks at 15c yard.  
75c Lining Silks at 25c yard.  
75c Silk Crepes Silk Poppins and Foulards at 48c.  
81.00 Silk Duchess, Corded Taffetas and Fancy Silks at 60c yard.  
81.00 Silk Crepe de Chene at 73c.  
75c Black Taffeta, (Bonnets make) at 50c yd.  
81.00 Black Duchess silk, 24 inch wide at 68c.  
81.00 Black Taffeta silk, 36 inch wide at 75c.  
81.00 Black Peau de Soie silk at 75c.  
81.00 Black Armure silk at 75c.

## January Clearing Sale of Black Dress Goods.

75c Black Brocade Wool Dress Goods, 46 inch wide at 39c.  
75c Black Parade Dress Goods, 40 inch wide at 39c.  
81.00 Black Homespun Dress Goods, 54 inch wide at 39c.  
75c Black Pebble Cheviot, 36 inch at 39c.  
75c Black Cheviot, 45 inch at 39c.

## January Clearing Sale of Colored Dress Goods.

\$1.00 All wool 46 inch plaids, 39c.  
\$1.00 Homespun 40 inch 70c.  
75c All wool Camel Hair mixtures, 39c.  
50c All wool Cheviots and Homespuns at 39c.  
75c and \$1.00 Serges and wide wale diagonals, 40 and 50 inch wide at 50c yard.  
\$1.00 Dress Patterns colors—browns, navys, nile, tan, rose, lavender, reds and grey handsome designs no two alike, your choice \$5.00 pattern.  
100 patterns finest all wool French Printed flannels for waist value 75c, all at 50c yard.

## Tailor Made Suits



Twenty-five styles to select from, colors and black, \$10, \$15 and \$25. Twenty special suits at \$5 each, were \$10, \$12.50 and \$15. No two alike but almost every size in the lot, silk lined jackets.

## Pedestrian Skirts.

Fifty heavy cloth skirts to close at \$2.50 each, they cost the makers \$5 to \$7.50 and we took all they had at the last of the season some blacks, but all good colors and sizes.

## Steamer Rugs

Less than half price. They make the best kind of buggy robes, solid color on one side, plaid on the other, at \$5.95, worth \$12 each.

## Golf Capes.

85 worth \$12. A small manufacturer carried over some fine golf cloth from last year and made them up into golf capes. They did not take—we closed out the lot—your choice \$5 each.

## 200 Women's Wraps

Reduced including three quarter Coats and Ulsters.  
\$7.50 and \$8.50 Jackets for \$5.  
\$10 and \$12 Jackets for \$7.50.

## Three-quarter Coats.

\$10 reduced from \$12.50.  
\$15 reduced from \$20.  
And so on throughout the entire stock. The very fact that they are here is excuse enough for reducing them.

## FUR COATS.

You can wear your Fur Coat for three months and more—only one month of the cold weather gone, we have every size—32 to 40 bust, 22 to 30 inches long, \$15, \$20, \$25, \$35.

## FURS.

Lots of people who wanted furs got money, now you may spend your money for furs and make your own selection.

We have an almost unbroken lot here again. Fresh goods just from the makers at reduced prices some of our own choice furs left over reduced to match the price of new furs.



Cluster Scarfs \$1 up to \$35.  
Streamer Scarfs, \$2.50 up to \$40.  
Muffs so popular in the large cities—did not go so fast here. They are reduced one-third.

## Flannel Waists.

Overstocked on two numbers—a complete line of sizes and colors.  
75c for \$1.25 waist made of all wool domestic flannel, very best style and good colors.

\$1.25 for a \$2.00 waist made of domestic twilled flannel, all colors and sizes to start in with—don't wait a week and then say you saw them advertised.

35c short skirts 25c | 50c short skirts 39c  
75c short skirts 50c | \$1 short skirts 75c

## Eiderdown Dressing Sacks.

Not a great many but they take up our valuable room and are no use to us in summer.

75c for all wool Eiderdown Sacks, worth \$1.25.  
\$1.00 for Ripple Eiderdown Sacks, worth \$1.75.

## 500 pieces of Sample Muslin Underwear at

75c on the dollar—slightly mussed, a manufacturer's line, value from 25c to \$8 garments, no two pieces alike.

35c corset covers, 25c

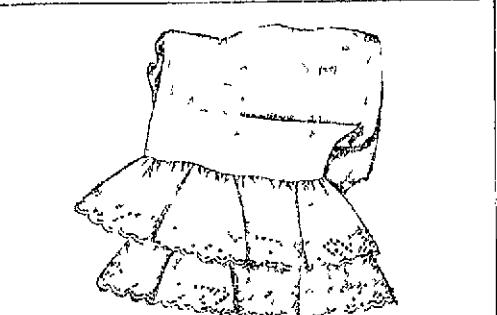
50c corset covers, 35c

75c corset covers, 59c

10c corset covers, 29c

60c corset covers, 45c

\$1 corset covers, 69c



35c drawers, 25c | 50c drawers, 39c  
75c drawers, 59c | \$1 drawers, 75c

## Gowns.

60c gowns, - - 45c

75c gowns, - - 59c

\$1 gowns, - - 69c

\$1.25 gowns, - - 85c

Fine gowns \$1, \$1.50

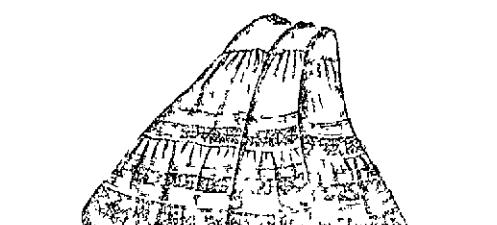
\$2 and up to \$6 each



## Fine White Skirts

\$1.00 skirts 75c | \$1.25 skirts 98c  
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Handsome trimmings skirts \$2, \$2.50, \$3.50 and up to \$6. This is the best make of muslin underwear manufactured in the United States and affords a rare chance to secure fine underwear at reasonable prices.



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There is time each year when the Prudent housekeeper thinks of replenishing her linen closet, and now is the time. You can purchase more here for your dollar in the next 30 days than at any other time and this is the way you can do it.

1 bale yard wide clean unbleached muslin at only 4c yd.

1 case yard wide fine bleached muslin free from dressing, 5c yd.

100c Turkish wash cloth, fast edges, only 2c each.

50 doz fine Turkish towels, an excellent grade at 5c each.

1 lot of fine huck towels, fancy borders at 7.5c each.

20 doz fine fringed Damask towels, sale price 12.5c each.

42x56 fine hand turned Pillow slips, your choice at 6.5c each.

Full size fine bed sheets, a regular 60c sheet, for 4c each.

2 1/4 yds wide bleached sheeting, a fine quality at only 16.5c yd.

2 1/4 yards wide heavy unbleached sheeting at only 14.5c yd.

1 lot of fancy hemstitch huck towels, sale price 19c each.

50 pieces fine roller toweling at 3.5c yard.

10 pieces fine double damask table linen in the new open borders, 10 patterns at 48c yd.

1 lot of fine imported table linen, 2 yds wide in the very latest designs at 68c 75c, 85c, 98c and \$1.25 yd.

150 remnants of table linens direct from our contract mills, these are the original agents samples in lengths of 2, 2 1/2 and 3 yds at a great reduction. Don't miss this opportunity while the stock is complete.

1 case full size marseilles pattern bed spreads, your choice at 79c each.

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All our fine and fancy quilted borders in very high finish made of the best imported French sateen that were \$5.50, now \$4.19 each.

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Your choice of all our 10-4 cotton blankets in grey, tan or white that were 58c pair, now 48c pair.

All our large tan or grey long sleeve blankets that sold for \$1 pair go for 69c pair.

Extra large and heavy grey blankets natural borders that were \$1.25 and \$1.39 pair, now 98c pair.

10-4 grey wool blankets, fine borders, that we sold at \$2.50 pair, go in one lot a \$1.98 pair.

10-4 white short Napp wool blankets former price \$2.75 a pair, they are yours at \$2.19 pair.

10-4 grey mixed natural wool blankets, cheap at \$3 pair, now only \$2.48 a pair.

10-4 extra fine cardet California wool blankets in natural grey, regular price \$3.50, now \$2.98 a pair.

Large northern made and heavy scarlet all wool blankets, former price \$3.50, now only \$2.98 a pair.

10-4 all wool extra heavy nicely bound white blankets, fast borders, sold at \$4 now \$3.50 a pair.

10-4 grey all wool heavy Napp blankets our regular \$1.25 stock, go at \$3.19 a pair.

10 pair only large all wool grey blankets, a \$5 blanket for \$3.75 a pair.

All 10-4 grey all wool California wool blankets sold the world over for \$3.50, pair, this time for \$3.98 pair.

Extra large and fleecy all wool, both warp and filling blankets, regular price \$4.50, go at \$3.18 a pair.

10 pair only large all wool grey blankets, a \$5 blanket for \$3.75 a pair.

10 pair Men's Camels Hair shirts and drawers, 29c each.

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